

July 12, 2002

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

Subject: Oroville Facilities Relicensing, FERC Project No. 2100
Semi-Annual Progress Report

Dear Secretary Salas:

Enclosed is an original and eight CD-ROM copies of the Department of Water Resources' six-month Progress Report to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The Department is submitting this six-month Progress Report, covering the period beginning January 11, 2002 through July 11, 2002, pursuant to FERC's Alternative Licensing Procedures, as required by Section 4.34(6)(ii) of FERC Order 596.

During the reporting period, our primary achievements were as follows:

- Filed "Notice of Intent to File Application for New License" with FERC on January 11, 2002;
- Obtained Plenary Group approval of 62 study plans;
- Initiated field studies to support the Department's license application;
- Completed a draft guidance document for cumulative impacts and Endangered Species Act compliance during the relicensing study phase; and
- Obtained consensus on the Interim Settlement Agreement for Initial Improvements for Riverbend Park.

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If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact me at (916) 653-5913.

Sincerely,

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